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LOSS MAKING RAIL ROUTES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) total number of loss making rail routes in the country;

(b) the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) & (b): There are 111 uneconomic branch lines in the country. Such information is maintained Railway Zone-wise only and not State-wise.

(c): Steps being taken include optimisation of staff strength, dismantling of redundant sidings, exploring the possibility of introduction of rail bus services, observance of economy in operation etc.